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Anything can happen today

Two evenly - matched teams — George Cross and Hakoah—take the field at Olympic Park today, and anything could happen!

George Cross are still without Lolly Vella their mainstay but their recent performances have shown promise & the Maltese side is playing more like the great team we knew last season.

On the other hand, the Hakoah forward line has been moving with speed and precision. They have been banging in the goals five at a time, and if they're in form today they'll give Norm Hobson, the George Cross keeper, a worrying

One of the men to watch in the Hakoah forward line is Thomas. He's an experienced player and makes many opportunities

Yes, anything can happen at the Park today and we're rather reluctant to forecast a winner.

HAKOAH—the fivegoal specialists—who appear at the Park today against George Cross. Picture by John Lethaby (XU 4307).

Leading State League team Wilhelmina photographed by Soccer News photographer John Lethaby. The Dutch team plays Polonia at Olympic Park tomorrow. They are from left to right (back row): Bons, Stoffels, Van Alphen, Keuken, Peterson, DeBruyckere. (Front row): P. Brouwer, Donkers, Mathyssen, Janssen, Stobbe, Copies of this picture can be obtained by phoning XU 4307.

WE'LL WIN!

When the Victorian State XI plays the Queenslanders in Brisbane on June 11 and 12 it will be the 9th and 10th time respectively that the two States have met, writes John d'Andrea.

The winner will be decided on points or an aggregate of goals average.

The first time Victoria met Queensland was in Melbourne in 1952 when Melbourne won 6-2.

So far four matches have been played in Brisbane and four in Melbourne.

Victoria has won six, and Queensland, two.

Queensland has not won since 1953 when they defeated Victoria 1-0 in Brisbane.

LAST MATCH

The last match was played in Melbourne during last year's Interstate Carnival when the hosts won 5-3 in one of the most interesting matches of the competition.

Victoria regained the F.A. Cup from Queensland in 1957 when both matches were won in Melbourne.

Victoria has scored 28 goals in the eight matches and Queensland 15 — just one more than half the Victorian score.

It will be the 71st anniversary of Queensland's first interstate match played in 1890 against N.S.W. and the 78th anniversary of the first interstate match played by Victoria versus NSW at East Melbourne.

Queensland introduced a new system of control in Soccer administration in 1949.

In 1952 Queensland established a Soccer state record with 50 senior teams playing in five divisions in the Brisbane-Ipswich competition.

UNDEFEATED

In 1954, at Adelaide, Queensland won the second Australian Junior Carnival when their Under 20 team was undefeated.

Queensland's greatest winning margin was achieved with 6-2 and 5-3 victories against NSW in 1956.

Victoria's highest margin ever in an interstate clash was in 1960 at the Interstate Carnival in Melbourne when they defeated NSW 5-0.

Here is the score:—

VICTORIA V. QUEENSLAND

1952—Victoria 6, Queensland 2 at Melbourne.

1952—Victoria 1, Q'ld 2 (Bris.).

1953—Victoria 0, Q'ld 1 (Bris.).

1957—Victoria 4, Q'ld 3 (Melb.).

1957—Vic. 5, Q'ld 1 (Melb).

1958 — Vic. 4, Q'ld 1 (Bris.).

1958 — Vic. 3, Q'ld 2 (Bris.).

1960 — Vic. 5, Q'ld 3 (Melb.).

● Victorian team page 8

NORLANE DANCE

Norlane Soccer club will hold a Social Dance on Saturday, June 10, at 8 p.m. at the R.S.L. Hall, Rose Avenue, Norlane. Admission for members 3/-, non-members 6/-. Proceeds for the Players Insurance Fund. All soccer fans invited.

VERDICT

BY SOCCER NEWS REPORTERS

"PULL your socks up," we said last week—and Slavia certainly did! Four goals against Melbourne! Who said Slavia wanted five new forwards? Keep up the good work boys.

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RICHMOND were unlucky again but they played well and Bieg and Eggert deserved their Globe votes. You're playing another tough team today, but don't give up Richmond.

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WHAT happened to Polonia? Without Mariuszkiewicz they're lost.

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WOW! Those two goals George Cross scored at the Park were beauties. That's more like the George Cross side we knew last season. A few more games like this and President De Bono could get his wish—a night and day double!

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HELLAS did it again. But they were lucky. If JUST centre-forward Beattie hadn't left his glasses at home when he took those free kicks shortly before time, it could have been a different story.

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WE all expected Wilhelmina to win. What we liked was the way Beerendonk scored his goal. He's a great forward this player, and we feel we'll be hearing more of him before the end of the season.

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WHEN will Box Hill's forwards click? They still have their problems. They're fit, fast and intelligent but somehow they just don't play as a team. Get together boys. Practice passing the ball to each other on the run, and why not give the "W" formation a go this week?

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JUVENTUS have had it! A few more games like last week and you can all take the slow boat to China!

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CHEERS Hakoah! We warned State Leaguers to watch you three weeks ago, and we're pleased we backed a winner. Like the way your forwards move. Great side this.

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SOCCER NEWS laurels for the week go to:—

- Copeland (G. Cross),
- Eager (Hakoah)
- Burns (Moreland)
- Hatzeleftherious (Hellas)
- Hasse (Slavia)
- Beerendonk (W'mina)

Tomorrow's big game

Tomorrow (Sunday) one of the best games of the season wil be seen at the Park when Wilhelmina take on last year's champions, Polonia.

The powerful Poles will be out to win this to prove that they'll finish champions again this year. Men like right-winger Dronia, Dudon, Jurecki, Gamaj and left winger Szygalski will have to put their shooting boots on, but there are weaknesses in the Dutch defence.

Wilhelmina's forward line is strong but we can't say the same of the defence. They are suspect and if the Poles find a hole in it they'll break through, and take the day's honours.

May the best team win

AIR TRAVEL FOR SQUAD

The Victorian State Squad and officials will travel to Brisbane by air on Saturday June 10 at 7.45 a.m. by T.A.A. flight 534 arriving in Brisbane at 11.15 a.m. and will return on Monday June 12 leaving Brisbane at 5.25 p.m. T.A.A. flight 453 arriving at Essendon at 9.45 p.m.

The two matches in Brisbane will be played on Sunday and Monday afternoons because a full championship match will be played on Saturday.

No "S.N." for June 10

THERE WILL BE NO SOCCER NEWS ISSUED FOR THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY WEEK-END JUNE 10-12. WE'LL PUBLISH AS USUAL THE FOLLOWING

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They went down on their knees to win

By ALBERT MERRILLS

St. Kilda Under 14's defence literally went down on its knees to save a goal against J.U.S.T. The St. Kilda full back saved a goal by falling on his knees when his goalkeeper was completely beaten.

Sth. Melbourne Hellas Under 14's centre forward A. Hamilton, missed a penalty in the first half of the game against Aspendale "B", then made amends by scoring his team's first goal.

Against a smaller Aspendale teams they had a hard fight to win 5-0.

Goal scorers for Sth. Melbourne were A. Hamilton 2, Jutrzenko, Wheatley and one own goal.

Best players: Aspendale —Smith, Dougall, Peacox, Hin and Klasson.

St. Kilda Under 12's beat Wilhelmina 7-1, playing more direct soccer, covering their men and beating them to the ball. St. Kilda scorers were Galluzzo 3, B. Hill 2, Proletto and Hemmerling.

Wilhelmina's scorer was R. Ewing.

Best player: M. Palm.

Sandringham City beat Box Hill High School Under 18 7-0 on the Box Hill ground which was being used for the first time.

The Box Hill coach and Committee have put a lot of work and time into the team and ground. Goal scorers: Sandringham: Dunkerley 3, Ryder 3, and Mahon.

Noble Park Tech. won their first game, beating Sandringham City Under 14's 3-1. Good to see them getting among the goals!

Brighton Under 16's are only one point behind the leaders on the ladder. They scored nine goals against George Cross in a game which they dominated.

Goal scorers, T. Dancer 5, J. Kapisis 2, A. Pritchard and Z. Laszlo.

Essenndon Under 18's lost their first game against Melbourne 2-0. Melbourne deserved their win, taking their chances, whereas the Dons did not.

Injuries to Harlow and Fisher hampered the Dons. K. Ryan and J. Rossetto were their best players. Abonyi scored for Melbourne.

Essendon Under 14's had to fight hard to draw 2-2 with Broadmeadows Hostel, and were two goals down at half time. Birks and Favero scored two good goals to save the Dons a point.

Essendon Midgets were massacred by Brooklyn Hostel who scored 9-0. On the small ground the Dons couldn't get their wings working too well.

It was amusing to see seven year old Ernie Loughran trying to get round the Brooklyn full back. It was like the Mountain and the Mouse.

Best players: Dons: J. Goeman, K. Rees and N. Luscombe.

A fast clean game between George Cross and Box Hill Under 18 resulted in a 1-1 draw. Both teams hit the post in the first half but failed to score.

Box Hill were unlucky not to open the scoring in the second half when they again hit the post and a few minutes later George Cross also missed a golden opportunity when a terrfic shot hit the upright.

Box Hill took the lead 10 minutes from time when their outside left found the net from a scrimmage in front of goal.

Shipley scored the equalizer for George Cross finding the net from a difficult angle.

JUNIOR RESULTS MAY 20

Under 12: — I.C.I. 1 v Sth. Melb. Hellas 9. Sunshine C. 15 v Aspendale 0. St. Kilda 7 v Wilhelmina 1. Brooklyn H. 9 v Essendon 0. Olympia 3 v J.U.S.T. 0.

Under 14 North:—Ardeer 5 v Brooklyn H. 0. Trident 8 v Lions Newport 0. Lechia Newport 3 v Sunshine City 3. M. Polonia 0 v Olympia 4.

Under 14 Central: — Broadmeadows H. 2 v Essendon 2. Preston 0 v Lions B'meadows 2. J.U.S.T. 0 v St. Kilda 2.

Under 14 South: — Wilhelmina 2 v Springvale 10. Aspendale "A" 3 v Frankston 1. Sth. Melb. Hellas 5 v Aspendale "B" 0. Noble Park Tech. 3 v Sandringham City 1.

Under 16 North:— Sunshine C. 2 v North Sunshine 4. AJAX 11 v I.C.I. 1. Olympia 0 v Sokil United 2.

Under 16 Central: — Brighton 9 v George Cross 0. St. Kilda 12 v Springvale 0. Pol Fawkner 2 v Hakoah 3. Wesley College 1 v Preston Tsob. 0.

Under 16 South: — Box "B" 0. Croydon 0 v Dandenong City 3.

Under 18:—Box Hill High School 0 v Sandringham C. 7. Sunshine Heights 0 v Hakoah 5. George Cross 1 v Box Hill 1. Melbourne 2 v Essendon 0. H.A.S.K. St. Albans 3 v AJAX 0. Trident 2 v Croydon 0.

JUNIOR TABLES

UNDER 12

	W	D	L	F	A	P
St. Kilda	5	1	0	23	4	11
Brooklyn H.	5	1	1	22	8	11
Sunshine C.	3	3	1	30	7	9
Olympia	4	1	2	13	5	9
Sth. Melb.-Hellas	4	0	3	35	3	8
Essendon	3	1	3	11	22	7
I.C.I.	2	0	4	10	21	4
J.U.S.T.	1	2	4	2	22	4
Wilhelmina	1	1	5	1	22	3
Aspendale	1	0	6	2	35	2

UNDER 14 NORTH

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Lechia N'port	5	2	0	33	6	12
Trident	5	0	2	33	3	10
Olympia	4	2	1	14	7	10
Sunshine C.	4	1	1	18	6	9
Ardeer	3	1	3	8	9	7
Brooklyn H.	2	0	5	11	29	4
Lions N'port	0	0	6	0	29	4
M. Polonia	0	0	5	0	34	0

UNDER 14 CENTRAL

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Essendon	5	1	1	37	10	11
St. Kilda	5	1	1	30	7	11
Broadmeadows Hostel	4	2	1	20	7	10
J.U.S.T.	3	0	4	8	19	6
Lions B'meadows	2	0	5	7	24	4
Preston	0	0	7	0	35	0

UNDER 14 SOUTH

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Springvale	6	0	0	44	4	12
Sth. M.-H.	4	1	2	16	5	9
Aspendale 'A'	4	1	1	18	8	9
Frankston	4	0	2	24	5	8
Wilhelmina	2	1	4	24	23	5
Sandringham	2	1	3	9	13	5
N. Park T.S.	1	0	5	4	40	2
Aspend. 'B'	0	0	6	1	42	0

UNDER 14 NORTH

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Ardeer	4	3	0	24	5	11
N. Sunshine	4	2	1	27	6	10
Sunshine	4	1	2	25	6	9
Sokil United	3	3	1	14	5	9
AJAX	4	1	2	18	9	9
Olympia	3	0	4	8	14	6
I.C.I.	1	0	6	2	71	2

UNDER 16 CENTRAL

	W	D	L	F	A	P
St. Kilda	6	0	1	60	9	12
Hakoah	6	0	1	59	11	12
Brighton	5	1	1	41	11	11
Polonia Faw.	3	1	2	21	8	7
George Cross	3	0	4	16	32	6
Wesley Col.	1	0	5	3	48	2
Springvale	0	0	4	3	35	0
Preston	0	0	6	1	50	0

UNDER 16 SOUTH

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Dandenong	6	0	1	33	2	12
Aspendale 'A'	5	2	0	25	2	12
Box Hill	4	2	1	24	11	10
Wilhelmina	4	0	3	14	20	8
Croydon	2	2	3	9	18	6
Moorabbin	2	1	4	12	17	5
Bayswater	0	2	5	6	23	2
Aspend. 'B'	0	1	6	0	29	1

UNDER 18

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Sunshine C.	6	0	1	53	5	12
Box Hill	5	1	0	24	7	11
George Cross	4	2	0	24	3	10
Essendon	4	2	1	21	6	10
AJAX	4	2	1	25	9	10
Trident	4	1	2	21	11	9
Melbourne H.A.S.K.	4	0	3	20	15	8
St. Albans	3	2	2	10	9	8
Hakoah	3	0	4	21	12	6
Croydon	1	0	6	10	35	2
Sandringham	1	0	6	12	53	2
Box Hill H.S.	1	0	3	3	35	2
Sunshine H.	1	0	5	2	45	2

Postponed games to be played on June 12.

Under 12 — St. Kilda v I.C.I.

Under 14 Nth.—Sunshine City v Maribyrnong Polonia.

Under 14Sth.—Springvale v Sandringham City; Aspendale "B" v Noble Park T.S.

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BOYS ARE BATTLING

CROYDON UNDER 18 team who to quote John Oostermeyer, of 151 French Street, Croydon, is "battling hard." The average age of these boys is 16. They are from left to right (back row): I. Oostermeyer (vice capt.), E. Neyen-Huizer, R. Rudge, J. Jeuwsen (Capt.), R. Soek, J. Howe, (Front row): M. Higgins, D. Robertson, F. Harbisher, D. Howe, P. Teuwsen.

Soccer News junior competition

From a pleasing number of entries "Soccer News" prize goes this week to GRAHAM ANDERSON of Wesley College whose letter is printed below.

All soccer followers will be pleased to see Wesley gain their first win and we salute Preston for their great spirit in playing short most weeks. (Andy Johnstone will be pleased to see interested juniors.

Anyway here's Graham letter and he qualifies for the top prize in mid June.

Entries in 100 words to GEOFF DOBB 13 North Ave., Moorabbin.

"May 20th sees two points to Wesley College. I am Graham Anderson, (13), and play for Wesley u. 16 team.

"On Saturday we registered our first points against Preston by winning 1-0. The goal was scored when Preston's right back passed back to the goalkeeper. Unfortunately the ball beat the goalie, which made Wesley one goal up. Preston were unlucky in the first half when their captain twice hit the post.

"Although this was our first win we hope to taste success again soon.

"We are fortunate in having Mr. Dickson, a former Laidlaw World Cup winner, as our coach.

—GRAHAM ANDERSON,
56 Seventh Street,
Parkdale, S.11.

Junior carnival

Three junior matches will be played at Olympic Park on Monday June 12 next to conclude the Queen's Birthday Week-end. Under 12, under 14 and under 16 teams will be seen in action.

Slavia-Juventus on Sun. June 11

The Fixtures committee has decided that the postponed match Slavia-Juventus (on account of Olympic Park being water logged) will now be played on Sunday June 11 with the reserve match as a curtain raiser.

This will be the only senior match played at the week-end as the State team is travelling to Queensland for two Interstate matches.

CONGRATS. PRESTON!

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faster Geelong forwards have greater potential and a sound home victory is probable.

YALLOURN are still smarting over their April 1 defeat by South Yarra. However, Mr. Bryon's boys face a 2 goal stronger team in Gippsland and the fitter home team is favoured.

DANDENONG have rarely done well at their hoodoo ground at Olive Street. Last season Sandringham won 4-1 over a weakened opposition but today will see Dandenong on fire after fine wins over Gully ad Austria.

The game is hard to predict as Sandy's key forward Sharp has missed last 4 games through injury.

Two great contests highlight Second Division South soccer at Oakleigh and Rosebud. Possible relegation pointers wil be gained from all other games.

Promotion has narrowed to Makedonia, Oakleigh, Prahran and Moorabbin and should show great soccer at Oakleigh as more than club prestige is at stake. Makedonia have the even teamwork to finish up unbeaten and Mr. Daniel's boys remember their tough April 1st game. Oakleigh have been inconsistent and I think a narrow away win is probable.

Rosebud and Flinders are the draw specialists and a ding-dong struggle is certain at Roneo. The rough ground may hamper the stylish Navy forwards and I think the strong kicking Rosebud team will win narrowly.

Essendon crashed 2-8 against Moorabbin but have a spirited teenage team—some could play in Moorabbin's juniors. Moorabbin must win every point and the great form of goalie Graham, centre-half Thompson and co. will hold the edge over a very promising Bomber forward line. Moorabbin narrowly!

Trident may be too even to find improving Park Ran-

Asian soccer is progressing

By RUSSELL LEA

Soccer is becoming increasingly popular in the countries of South East Asia. Encouragement to the game is being given by governments and rulers who are supporting the youth of the various countries.

Football, as it is known in Asia, is usually played during the dry season which is between the months of January and May. During these months the average temperatures range from 80 deg. to 90 deg.

Malaya and Thailand are the main countries in which Soccer is played, but it's also played in Singapore, Indonesia and Vietnam.

In Malaya Soccer is progressing gradually into the biggest sport in the country. Support is given by the Tunku Abdul Raman who has donated a trophy to encourage the youth to play the game.

80,000 CROWD

Biggest ground in Malaya is the Medeka Stadium which has a capacity of 80,000. This Stadium is used for matches against other countries and for inter-city and state finals. There are many other grounds in Malaya, but they are small, the average size holding 5,000 people.

There are numerous teams playing competitively in Malaya, these being divided into two main sections—the Northern and the Southern. Northern Section represents the northern half of the island and the Southern, the southern half.

During the season the teams in the Northern and Southern sections compete among themselves in a knock-out cup in order to find the best team in the North and the South of the country.

Finally the team representing the North and that from the South meet at the Medeka Stadium to decide the champion team of Malaya. The winning team has the honour of representing Malaya against other countries.

Biggest and most highly rated teams represent the States of Selangor, Perak and Johore, but it is played widely in all other States.

The country of Thailand has one of the greatest soccer stadiums in the Southern Hemisphere. The National Stadium at Bangkok has a capacity of 90,000.

Many sporting arenas surround the National Stadium to form the largest playing area in the country. The grounds are all fully enclosed.

Admittance charges depend on teh matches, but for an important game the cost would be 20 Tickel, which equals approximately 6/-A.

The competition in Thailand comprises a major league in which teams from all parts of the country compete.

MY GUEST

A Thai student was my guest at a State League match recently. He was impressed with the standard of Soccer in Australia, but said that in dry conditions the best team in Thailand would more than hold its own against a similar team.

The student, a keen observer of the game in Australia, put forward his views on how to encourage better Soccer relations between Australia and the Asian countries. These were:

● Matches should be played between the leading countries of Asia and Australia on either a cup or a friendly basis.

● The leading State team in Australia should have the honour of representing Australia in matches against leading club teams or countries of Asia.

● Teams representing Asian countries should be invited to Australia one year and Australia should be invited back the following year.

What about small clubs?

Sirs: I have to congratulate the Editors for the Year's King Size "Soccer News." All our club supporters and many outsiders appreciate the size and its contents.

But there are a few small things which must not be repeated in other issues.

Every registered Soccer Club gets a few dozen Soccer News each week and sells them to their supporters.

Every supporter trums the pages and looks for some news of his club.

But unfortunately most of the pages are filled with news from the State League.

If there's more publicity of lower clubs, I can guarantee that every club will sell more copies.

Yours—Jim Kolev, 32 Hammond St., Thornbury.

● We give up! Last season we were condemned for a lack of State League news — this season there's too much. We can't please everyone, but we'll keep trying.

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MORE COPIES?

Sirs— Probably you are unaware of the following facts, which needs closer attention for the benefit of Soccer News itself and their readers!

At Albert Park, Saturday 1st April (start of season) at Hawthorn Reserve, 15th April and at Port Melbourne 6th May, I and many more soccer followers were unable to get a copy of Soccer News.

For the good order, I am always at the grounds an hour before the main game starts, so "coming late" cannot be the reason.

Last Saturday at Port Melbourne, Slavia officials told me, they received only 20 "Soccer News" papers to sell!

Is this not a laughable situation, when you hear a few hours late, every mentators advertising Soccer News with such a devotion, and urge people not to miss it. .

Yours—B. Bosmans, Lot 9 Heatherton Road, Clayton (Vic.)

● Sorry you have been misinformed. Slavia S.C. has never taken 20 copies of 'SN' during our time. This club can increase their order any week they wish—we will be only too pleased to assist them.

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FAIR GO PLEASE

Sirs — Please give first and second Division clubs a fair go. Bring more news from those divisions, and take not only attention to the State League. If you are trying to sell more Soccer News, please give some details from any club, so far, as possible. Becuase if there is no news in it, is hard to sell Soccer News to players.

Yours T. Strumpel, Norlane

● We agree, so let's hear from you at Norlane and Geelong.

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NORLANE NEWS

Sirs — St. Albans v N. Olympia. N. Olympia played well and at half time we lead 2-1. In the second half N. Olympia kept up form and scored three goals more, to win 5-2. Best player: L. Winegin, L. Schoofs (two goals), T. Harydinn, T. Dalhlaus.

N. Olympia are confident in the future and if any team beats the Dutch boys from Norlane (Geelong)) it will be a surprise.

Team will be selected as follows(for next Sat.): (Goal) T. Dalhlaus, (Defence) G. Gerards, H. Baur T. de Neef, P. Langedyk (capt.), H. Hamasker, T. Hoogduin, M. Veldhuizen, G. Juffermans, B. de Koning. Res. J. de Yong, J. Dalhous, J. Dreumel (forwards) L. Schoofs.

Yours—Secretary Norlane Olympia.

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CATCHIE BALL?

Sirs — I think "Soccer News" is great, but the paper would be improved if you published all the results and tables of all States for the benefit of Pools followers. I know quite a few, who follow Aussi Rules, who would come back to the fold, if they had a paper that gives them what they want: Pools information and tips.

I see that you have been trying to get "Real Madrid" here. I don't think its much fun to watch our boys getting beaten 15-0. Gives the Rules people something to laugh at. It would be much better to bring an English Second Division Team here and let's prove to that doubting "Pommy" in The Sun that we are equal to 2nd Division and better.

So the Rules people want the Government to help them to teach the New Guinea natives Rules. Gee, they must hate the natives, when they want to teach that game. Soccer would be better, as it is played in 96 countries and Rules is only played in 96 villages in Victoria! Can hear the "Fuzzies" saying "Catchie Ball, No Like".

Yours—John E. Charlson, 24 Dublin Ave., Strathmore.

● We couldn't agree with you more. The Government has got more urgent business to deal with at the present and we feel that before they promote Australian Rules in New Guinea they should promote it in all Australian States first. It may be interesting to read the prediction of Dr. J. F. Cairns, M.H.R. for Yarra, in a message to the Juventus Soccer Club of which he is a Patron—"The certain and continued growth of the club will contribute not only to the establishment of soccer as an Australian National game, but will give Italians and Australians much of which to be proud". Incidentally, you'll find all Pools information on Page 7.

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MR. DISGUSTING

Sirs—I'm disgusted over your disgusted Soccer fan, 'SN' May 13.

Who's ringing there?

What about ringing Mr. Threllfall, the Junior secretary Tel 311-3156 and tell him, that you are such a keen Soccer follower, that you will be a junior referee in future instead of criticizing a man who is doing something else than just looking.

By the way, Mr. Disgusting, I do my job already, but I like to see your first game....

Yours — R. Rubens, Springvale Junior coach

HOTEL SOCCER

Sirs—I was glad to see Fred Villiers' comment about Inter-Hotel Soccer.

The competition originated at Scott's Hotel early this year. I, with lots of help from my two mates, Ziggi Joanidis and Stan Novek, sent 11 letters to leading hotels and restaurants to attend the first meeting at Scott's Hotel. Only six clubs sent representatives: Scott's, Florentino, Pellegrini, Maxims, Marios and Molinas. I have been chosen Secretary and record keeper, and Mr. P. Prasad will assist me.

Our referee is Mr. Moar and he is doing a fine job.

After a couple of unlucky tries to secure other fields for our games, we are playing at Olympic Park every Sunday morning. Two games each Sunday; first starts at 10 a.m. and second at 11.20 a.m.; and we play 30 minutes each half.

We hope that our efforts will do some good towards Soccer promotion in this state, and I hope to continue this championship for a few years to come. I have the promise that more hotels and restaurants will join us next season.

A. Marini (Molinas) and M. Buzidoni (Scott's) are sharing top place with six points each for the best and fairest player.

Yours — Otto Hajncl, Secretary of Inter-Hotel Soccer Championship. 4 Clay St., Port Melbourne.

● Otto, you're doing a great job! We're proud of you and the boys who play in your Sunday competition!

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ALL AT SEA

Sirs—I wonder why the George Cross - Wilhelmina game was not played at Olympic Park. Surely it is a good attraction for Soccer Fans. I also notice that while other prominent teams have received more than the lion's share regarding the allocation of Olympic Park for Home and Sunday games; G. C. was not given a single game.

I am a bit at sea with the verdict of the disciplinary committee of a replay of the J.U.S.T.-Melbourne game. If the players involved were punished and the players concerned were J.U.-S.T., why on earth is the club rewarded by a replay?

Full marks for George Soccer Fan's letter on Soccer News of Sat. 13/5/61 under the heading Televise Craven "A" Cup Games. I do agree.

Yours—Enn Gee, Abbotsford.

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RULING PLEASE

Sirs—I wonder if you could give a ruling on the following subject.

VASFA Junior Committee Circular to all clubs concerned states, re Rule 33 on Substitutes, "that one substitute must be the Goalkeeper, and once changed, the original Goalkeeper cannot again take up position in goal, thus allowing 2 substitutes in other positions".

In this case 3 substitutes can be changed.

VASFA Official Rules, same Rule, states "that 2 players can be changed any time, one of which must be the Goalkeeper". Here 2 players only can be substituted.

Which is correct?

Yours—N. N. (Fawkner)

● REPLY. V.A.S.F.A. official rule states that goalkeepers may be replaced at any time during the match and of one other player prior to half time. The rule does not state that two players can be changed at any time. The junior rule is similar — If a Goalkeeper takes up an outfield position he cannot return to the goal at a later stage.

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George Gross news review

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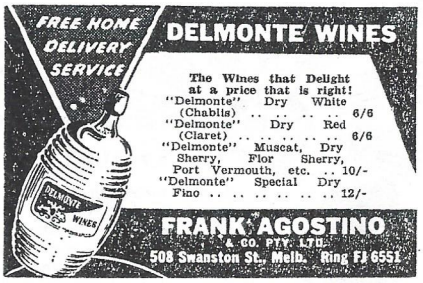

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Holland and East Germany draw

Holland held East Germany to a one-all draw at Leipzig in the World Cup prelim round. This was the first point for both teams who previously crashed to Hungary, the section leaders.

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HOLLAND

A former player of the Ajax Club who has been playing in Britain for the past two years with Crewe and Nairn is six foot forward Jacob van der Wal.

It is understood that Van der Wal is leaving for Australia to play for the Apia Club of Sydney.

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GERMANY

Over the Easter recess the West German Youth Football Association has as visitors the under 15 team from the Boness Academy and Sportverein Boys Club reckon they are the best visiting schools team that has visited Germany for years.

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WALES

Cardiff City have put a creditable performance this season on their return to the English 1st Division, but the Welsh F.A. have by passed their players in recent international selections and would appear to have justified themselves. Wales recently defeated Ireland by five goals to one and only who Welsh based players were in the side, centre half Nurse and left winger Williams both of Swansea Town. The remainder of this side which will play Spain in the World Cup qualifying rounds were drawn from English club sides. Popular **Bill Morris** manager of Wrexham the Welsh club, who operate in the English 4th Division has had to resign for health reasons. The Wrexham directors accepted Bill's enforced retirement with much regret.

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SWITZERLAND

The Continental League conference which is being held there this close season is likely to ask that more League internationals be played against the English and Scottish sides. Italy, Spain, France and Belgium are all keen to have more League nationals against Scotland and England.

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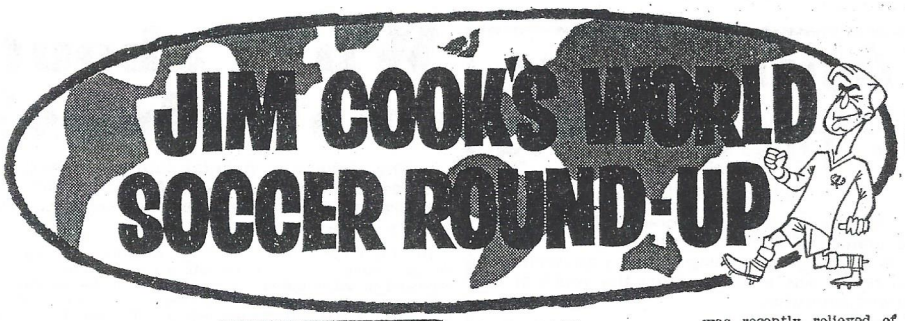

ITALY

Juventus recently refused Wales permission to play centre-forward **John Charles** against Spain in their World Cup game. Signor **Remo Giordannetti,** the Vice-President of Juventus, was quoted as saying that there had been a misunderstanding over the possibility of Charles being released. **Helenio Herrerro,** manager of the Internazionale Club of Milan, is now the highest paid boss of world soccer under a new contract with his club. Helenio is reputed to be earning 55,400,000 Lire per annum which works out £28,000 or £538 per week.

Of course that's only Helenio's basic salary! He gets extras in the way of bonuses, car and other perks to bring it up to a worthwhile living.

Rumours that certain Italian soccer players have been receiving drugs before taking part in matches would appear to have some foundation.

The Italian F.A. issued a directive calling on each of the 16 First Division Clubs to submit one player each for examination.

Failure to comply with the order will mean that the player not presenting himself for the test will be banned indefinitely from playing.

Disappointed at the refusal of Johnny Haynes to go to Italy several of the League Clubs there have now turned their attention to Joe Baker match winning centre forward of Hibernian.

The Baker boy has so far refused to resign for the Edinburgh club for next season but will have to if the transfer agreement is reached.

According to the Rome sports paper "Corriere Dello Sport" it is almost a certainty that the Italian Football League will accept the new proposals on foreign players.

Under the new proposals if accepted Italian clubs will be permitted to engage three foreign players each. Two of them could be completely foreigners while the third must have a dual nationality so that he could qualify for the Italian national team.

"Corriero Dello Sport" has urged Roma to sign Bobby Charlton and Roma president Signor Anacleto Gianni is one Italian who would like Joe Baker.

Italian Clubs have signed no fewer than 233 foreign players in the post war period, 48 from Scandinavia, 53 from behind the Iron Curtain, 29 from Western Europe and 103 from South America.

Fiorentina who play Glasgow Rangers in the final of the European Cup Winners Cup competition are not having their troubles to seek these days.

In a recent home match against Spal which they lost by three goals to nothing the Fiorentina supporters demonstrated in front of the stand after the game calling for the resignation of the officials.

Former Hungarian ace Nandor Hidegutti is the Fiorentina team manager and the assistant manager is former Italian international Beppe Chipella.

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EGYPT

Nasser's soccer boys recently had to pay through the nose to see Real Madrid in Cairo. The Spaniards received on their insistence a guarantee of 50,000 United States dollars and won 4-1 although the famous Puskas missed a penalty.

EIRE

One of the surprise selections in the Eire team to meet Scotland at Hampden in the World Cup prelim. rounds, is the inclusion at outside left of Joe Haverty of Arsenal. Haverty originally a full back has been transformed by the Gunners to a left winger.

The new sensation in the Eire team selection this season is goalkeeper Dwyer who plays for Swansea the Welsh club in the Second Division.

Dwyer has played a major role in Swansea's revival this season.

ENGLAND

Rumour was sparked off after **Matt Busby's** recent return from convalescence that the maker of the great pre-Munich Manchester United team was to retire from soccer Matt himself scotched the rumour with the reputed remark that his one desire is to make United great again and while he is still well enough this is his aim. If Matt ever makes a premature retirement from the managers chair it is quite on the cards he will merely change his chair for one in the boardroom! A reassuring thought that soccers number one personality in Britain and master tactician will not be altogether lost to the game he loves.

46 year old **Stanley Matthews** has had invitations to play in Africa, Australia, United States, Japan, Canada, Middle East and many Continental countries during this close season. Stan, however, may decide on either Israel or Poland.

The feat of Spurs in winning the 1st division league championship and F.A. Cup has rather overshadowed the terrific performance of Peterboro in the 4th division.

Elected to the 4th Division at the start of the 1960-61 season in place of Gateshead this gallant club whom they call the "Posh" have won promotion to the 3rd division at the first attempt and have the best home attendances in the 4th division.

The "Posh" did well in the F.A. Cup going out in the 3rd round to Aston Villa by the odd goal after a replay and it is confidently predicted that they will grace the first division within the next decade.

Billy Wright the former Wolves and England centre half who figured in a surprise retiral a couple of years ago is the new England Youth team Director. Billy has for some time now been working for the F.A. in close association with team manager Walter Winterbottom.

Leeds United recently fielded an "All Blacks" left wing: Players Albert Johannsen and Gerry Francis are chocolate coloured boys from South Africa.

When it comes to honours in Sport — soccer always seems to take a back seat in the U.K. honours list.

The working man's sport which draws bigger crowds than any other form of entertainment has had only two players who have ever received honours. Stanley Matthews and Billy Wright, both of whom received the C.B.E.

SCOTLAND

Turn up for the book! Rangers Scottish First Division champions who recently defeated Wolves were themselves humbled by lowly Clyde who are bound for the Second Division.

Although the "Gers" were under strength the "Bully Wee" made them look chumps instead of champs.

The Kircaldy soccer fans are angry these days! Their club which is Raith Rovers has just sold full back Willie Polland and centre Willie Wallace to Hearts for £17,000 And Raith only just escaped relegation.

Former Rangers and Scotland centre half **Willie Woodburn** who made a premature retirement from the game several years ago when he was suspended sine die for a field offence may return as an executive in the game. Many including myself felt that Woodburn was too severely dealt with and if he does return to the game he will I am sure make his presence felt as an administrator.

Real Madrid want to see Queen's Park's new Hampden floodlights when they are complete and which will cost £50,000. If Real were to play Rangers or Motherwell on this opening, Queens could pay for their lights in one go. At the Real Madrid v. Eintracht final at Hampden last year the gate receipts were £52,931.

Champion runners up in the United Kingdom, "Kilmarnock" gained sweet revenge **They defeated the crack Brazilian team Bangu who are touring Europe by one goal to nothing and so avenged their 2-1 defeat in the final of last years New York Summer Soccer Tourney. Top Scottish goal scorer and Killie centre Andy Kerr scored the all important goal.**

Incidentally, Andy has scored 45 goals for Kilmarnock this season, an all time club record.

The drawn final of the Scottish Cup Final first match at Hampden between Dunfermline and Celtic attracted a crowd of over 113,000 spectators.

Rangers, who ousted Wolves in the semi-final of the European Cup winners Cup, have an impressive record over outside teams this season. They defeated Arsenal, walloped the German club Borussia by a total score of 11-0 in two games and are fancied to win the final against the Italian club Fiorentina.

Ian McColl, the Rangers player who this season has been acting as Scottish team manager, is to retire from the playing side. No plans have yet been laid for Ian who is expected to be offered a full-time post as Scottish manager.

The new Greenock Morton Chairman business man Fred Wright has it is reported offered the club managership to Irisman Johnny Carey who was recently relieved of his post with Everton. With Mr. Wright controlling Morton cash is not now scarce and Carey's previous salary of a reputed £3,000 per annum will not scare the Morton chief away.

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IRELAND

Already capped twice for Ireland and only 18 years of age! That's the promising start to stardom of **Jimmy Nicholson** the versatile half back of Manchester United. Nicholson is rated in certain quarters as the ideal captain replacement for evergreen **Danny Blanchflower,** but by the way Danny Boy is playing Jimmy will have to wait for some considerable time yet before he even has a chance of skippering the Emerland Isle international team.

Playing for Ireland against Wales on a Wednesday and for Dunfermline in the Scottish Cup on the Saturday of the same week was the lot of **Willie Cunningham** the stuffy defender.

Derry City recently offered the post of player manager to Redfern Froggart of Sheffield Wednesday who turned it down and then offered it to Johnny Dixon of Aston Villa who also refused.

Derry may now offer the £25 per week post to Hugh Baird the former Leeds United centre forward.

Although Ireland was defeated by three goals to two by Italy in a friendly game at Bologna recently the Irish selectors have every reason to be satisfied with their teams performance.

Star players Blanchflower of Spurs and Elder and McIlroy of Burnley were unable to make the trip.

Two goals down in the first half Ireland staged a second half revival and scored twice within a minute but Italy grabbed a late goal to clinch the game.

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AUSTRALIA

Wing-half George McPhail of Clyde is considering an attractive offer to join Gladesville the Sydney club.

According to newspaper reports here the former Kilmarnock and South African centre forward Vernon Wentzel has made a big success with the Sydney club Apia Leichardt. Wentzel, not a consistent first team regular with Killie, is reputed to have been installed in a luxury flat and on top wages.

When the season ends here the usual statistical surveys to be made will be the number of penalty kicks missed during the season. According to old timer and former Dundee favourite **the best way to** take a kick is to aim for the stanchion and hit the ball hard and low.

Spaniard for Budapest

A Spanish-born goldsmith, coming to Sydney soon from Germany, could be another strong driving force in the highly rated Budapest Soccer team.

He is 22-year-old Juan Medina, who left Witten, Germany last week for Australia.

Medina, who plays inside-left or inside-right, was the strong link in the first division Witten amateur side which recently won its way into the German State League.

Witten wil lenter the State League and the winner of each division plays off for the championship of Germany.

This prodigious goal-scorer shoots equally well with either foot.

Budapest officials have arranged for him to follow his goldsmith profession in Australia.

He will join a jewellery company.

YOUR GAMES

LAST SATURDAY

RESULTS

STATE LEAGUE

Richmond 1 v. Moreland 1
JUST 1 v. Sth. Mel.-Hellas 3
Melbourne 0 v. Slavia 4
Hakoah 4 v. Juventus 0
Polonia 1 v. George Cross 2
Wilhelmina 2 v. Box Hill 0

STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

Richmond 4 v. Moreland 0
JUST 3 v. Sth. Mel.-Hellas 1
Melbourne 3 v. Slavia 2
Hakoah 3 v. Juventus 0
Polonia 1 v. George Cross 3
Wilhelmina 3 v. Box Hill 2

HARRY ARMSTRONG (RESERVE) CUP
First Round

Austria 6 v. South Yarra 2
Moonee P. 14 v. Coburg U. 0
Brighton 1 v. Footscray 1
Frankston 2 v. Fiorentina 3

Byes to Second round: — Lions, Maccabi, Prahran, Preston, Yallourn, Sandringham, Park Rangers, Sunshine City, Dandenong City, Ferntree Guly, Geelong.

DOCKERTY CUP
First Round

St. Albans 2 v. Fairfield 3
Monash 2 v. I.C.I. 3
Sicilia 2 v. Coburg 1
C'wood Eagles 2 v. W'stown 1
Heidelberg 0 v. Preston-Cr. 2
Frankston 2 v. Prahran City 0
Makedonia 1 v. Dandnong C. 0
Alexander 4 v. South Yarra 0
Rosebud 1 v. F'tree Gully 5
Moe U. 0 v. Geelong Scottish 6
Austria 9 v. Essendon 0
Bayswater 3 v. Maccabi 4
Lions 3 v. Croatia 0
F.N.D. 2 v. University 1

Byes to second round:— Morwell Pegasus, Morwell Rangers, Newborough United, Corio, Fiorentina, Footscray-Capri, Moorabbin City, Trident, Moonee Ponds, Sunshine City, Brighton, Geelond, Sandringham City, Yallourn, Oakleigh, Norlane Olympia, Seymour and Park Rangers.

SOCCER NEWS WAS THERE!

Hakoah 4 — Juventus 0.

WHAT we liked: The youth in both teams, both goalkeepers made a successfull comeback to SL after serious injuries. The orderly and speedy way in which officials organise admission of cars and spectators.

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WHAT we didn't like:— Not enough room to take the corner kicks. The half empty stand which would not be big enough for the increasing crowds, despite the 2/- extra charge. No scoreboard!

Craven A Cup results

Holland 4, Ukraine 0
Poland 1, Hungary 0.
Germany 2, Australia 1.
Scotland 3, Austria 0.
Israel 0, Croatia 7.
England 1, Italy 0.

HOTEL LEAGUE

Molinas 3, Pellegrini 2; Florentino 2, Scott's 2.

League positions: Florentino 5 Pts., Scott's 5pts., Molinas 4 pts, Pellegrini 2 pts., Maxims 0 pts., Marios 0 pts.

NORTHERN LEAGUE

	p	w	d	l	f	a	p.
Cobram	7	5	2	0	32	10	12
Roma	7	5	2	0	12	5	12
East	7	6	0	1	17	8	12
City	7	5	0	2	30	7	10
Gunbower	7	3	2	2	15	7	8
Torrumber.	7	3	2	2	11	14	8
Echuca	7	3	1	3	15	21	7
Lemnos	7	2	2	3	9	9	6
Taturc	7	2	1	4	15	25	5
Tongala	7	0	3	4	8	17	3
Cohuna	7	0	1	6	8	24	1
Barmah	7	0	0	7	3	28	0

LATROBE VALLEY TABLE

	p	w	l	d	gf	ga	p
Newborough	4	4	-	-	14	1	8
Rangers	5	4	1	-	21	6	8
Pegasus	4	3	-	1	13	3	7
Moe	5	2	2	1	8	13	5
Monash	5	1	2	2	10	8	4
Tigers	5	1	3	1	8	14	3

THIS SATURDAY

STATE LEAGUE

Moreland v Box Hill
S. M.-Hellas v Richmond
Slavia v J.U.S.T.
Juventus v Melbourne
George Cross v Hakoah
Wilhelmina v Polonia

STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

Moreland v Box Hill
S. M.-Hellas v Richmond
Slavia v J.U.S.T.
Juventus v Melbourne
George Cross v Hakoah
Wilhelmina v Polonia

FIRST DIVISION NORTH

Coburg v Sunshine City
Collingwood v Lions
Moonee Ponds v Fiorentina
Croatia v Maccabi
Footscray v Corio

FIRST DIVISION SOUTH

Yallourn v South Yarra
Frankston v Geelong
Preston v Brighton
Sandringham v Dandenong
Ferntree Gully v Austria

SECOND DIV. NORTH

Fairfield v Seymour
Heidelberg v St. Albans
I.C.I. v University
Norlane Olympia v Sicilia
Williamstown v Alexander

SECOND DIVISION SOUTH

Oakleigh v Makedonia
Moorabbin v Essendon
Rosebud v F.N.D.
Prahran v Bayswater
Trident v Park Rangers

FIRST DIVISION NORTH RESERVES

Park Rangers v Footscray
Maccabi v Prahran
Fiorentina v Moonee Ponds
Lions v Moorabbin
Sunshine City v Coburg

FIRST DIVISION SOUTH RESERVES

Yallourn v South Yarra
Frankston v Geelong
Preston v Brighton
Sandringham v Dandenong
Ferntree Gully v Austria

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE

W.W.F. v Bendigo
Triestina v Springvale
Ringwood v Ballarat
C'wealth Bank v Florina
Libertas v Kensington

TECHNICAL SOCCER

Section (1)	W	L	D	B	P
Aspendale	3	0	0	0	6
Brighton	2	0	0	0	4
Dandenong	2	0	0	0	4
Noble Park	1	0	0	0	2
Frankston	1	0	0	0	2
Moorabbin	0	2	0	0	0
Oakleigh	0	3	0	0	0
Sand'ham	0	2	0	0	0
Section (2)	**W**	**L**	**D**	**B**	**P**
Swinburne	2	0	0	1	6
Jordanville	1	1	0	1	4
Caulfield	1	1	0	1	4
Box Hill	1	1	0	0	2
Burwood	0	2	0	0	0
Section (3)	**W**	**L**	**D**	**B**	**P**
Heidelberg	1	0	1	0	3
Preston	0	0	2	0	2
Coburg	0	0	2	0	2
Watsonia	0	1	1	0	1
Section (4)	**W**	**L**	**D**	**B**	**P**
Footscray	1	0	2	0	4
Richmond	1	0	1	0	3
Prahran	1	0	1	0	3
C'wood	1	0	0	0	2
Brunswick	0	2	0	0	0
Sth. Melb.	0	2	0	0	0
Section (5)	**W**	**L**	**D**	**B**	**P**
Sunshine	2	0	0	0	4
Glenroy	1	0	1	0	3
W'town	1	1	0	0	2
Tottenham	1	1	0	0	2
Altona Nth.	0	1	1	0	1
Essendon	0	2	0	0	0

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STATE LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	GOALS F	GOALS A	P
Wilhelmina	10	7	2	1	30	14	16
George Cross	10	5	3	2	19	7	13
Polonia	10	6	1	3	23	10	13
S.M.-Hellas	10	6	1	3	24	17	13
Hakoah	10	6	1	3	31	24	13
J.U.S.T.	10	6	0	4	21	15	12
Melbourne	10	4	1	5	15	20	9
Juventus	9	3	2	4	12	18	8
Box Hill	10	2	2	6	7	16	6
Slavia	9	2	2	5	12	25	5
Moreland	10	2	1	7	16	30	5
Richmond	10	0	4	6	11	25	4

STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	GOALS F	GOALS A	P
George Cross	10	8	2	0	39	9	18
Hakoah	10	8	1	1	27	11	17
Wilhelmina	10	6	2	2	34	16	14
Melbourne	10	5	2	3	28	23	12
Juventus	9	4	2	3	25	26	10
Polonia	10	4	2	4	17	22	10
Box Hill	10	3	3	4	17	23	9
J.U.S.T.	10	4	0	6	24	33	8
Slavia	9	3	1	5	14	22	7
Richmond	10	2	2	6	18	32	6
Moreland	10	1	3	6	13	26	5
S.M.-Hellas	10	1	0	9	15	28	2

FIRST NORTH

	P	W	D	L	GOALS F	GOALS A	P
Fiorentina	9	7	1	1	21	5	15
Lions	9	7	0	2	28	7	14
Croatia	9	6	1	2	30	13	13
Sunshine City	9	5	2	2	25	13	12
Footscray-Capri	9	4	3	2	24	17	11
Moonee Ponds	9	4	1	4	12	13	9
Corio	9	4	0	5	15	17	8
Collingwood	9	1	1	7	9	21	3
Maccabi	9	1	1	7	9	40	3
Coburg	9	1	0	8	8	35	2

FIRST SOUTH

	P	W	D	L	GOALS F	GOALS A	P
Preston	9	9	0	0	33	7	18
Brighton	9	6	0	3	23	14	12
Dandenong	9	5	1	3	23	17	11
Austria	9	5	0	4	26	23	10
Ferntree Gully	9	5	0	4	16	15	10
Sandringham	9	3	2	4	14	17	8
Yallourn	9	3	1	5	20	20	7
Frankston	9	2	2	5	19	33	6
Geelong	9	1	3	5	11	21	5
South Yarra	9	1	1	7	13	31	3

SECOND NORTH

	P	W	D	L	GOALS F	GOALS A	P
Alexander	9	8	0	1	34	6	16
University	9	7	1	1	22	4	15
Norlane Olympia	9	6	1	2	26	11	13
Sicilia	9	6	1	2	19	14	13
Williamstown	9	5	0	4	24	14	10
Fairfield	9	3	0	6	22	23	6
St. Albans	9	2	2	5	14	28	6
Seymour	9	2	1	6	14	37	5
Heidelberg	9	1	2	6	8	23	4
I.C.I.	9	0	2	7	9	32	2

SECOND SOUTH

	P	W	D	L	GOALS F	GOALS A	P
Makedonia	9	8	1	0	25	8	17
Oakleigh	9	5	3	1	23	13	13
Moorabbin	8	3	2	3	29	19	8
Prahran	9	3	2	4	19	17	8
Rosebud	9	4	0	5	13	14	8
F.N.D	9	3	2	4	17	20	8
Park Rangers	9	2	4	3	20	24	8
Trident	8	3	1	4	14	20	7
Bayswater	9	2	2	5	15	19	6
Essendon	9	2	1	6	10	31	5

FIRST NORTH RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	GOALS F	GOALS A	P
Lions	9	8	0	1	38	11	16
Footscray	9	5	3	1	26	8	13
Sunshine City	9	6	1	2	39	15	13
Prahran	9	5	2	2	25	20	12
Park Rangers	9	4	3	2	26	22	11
Moonee Ponds	9	3	2	4	22	21	8
Fiorentina	9	3	1	5	15	24	7
Maccabi	9	3	0	6	21	25	6
Coburg	9	1	0	8	9	45	2
Moorabbin	9	1	0	8	13	53	2

FIRST SOUTH RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	GOALS F	GOALS A	P
Austria	9	7	1	1	34	12	15
Dandenong	9	5	3	1	26	12	13
Preston	9	5	2	2	14	6	12
Brighton	9	5	2	2	22	16	12
Yallourn	9	5	0	4	20	16	10
Frankston	9	2	3	4	17	23	7
Sandringham	9	2	2	5	16	17	6
Ferntree Gully	9	2	2	5	14	30	6
South Yarra	9	1	3	5	9	24	5
Geelong	9	2	0	7	12	28	4

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	GOALS F	GOALS A	P
Libertas	9	7	1	1	33	10	15
Florina	9	7	1	1	35	11	15
Ringwood	9	5	4	0	41	14	14
Ballarat	9	6	1	2	39	10	13
Bendigo	9	4	2	3	41	24	10
W.W.F.	9	3	1	5	18	34	7
Kensington	9	3	0	6	23	24	6
Triestina	9	3	0	6	12	16	6
Springvale	9	2	0	7	13	26	4
C'wealth Banks	9	0	0	9	3	89	0

INTERSTATE SOCCER

SOUTH AUSTRALIA RESULTS

LEAGUE—Budapest 2, Orange 0; Croatia 1, Juventus 0; Lion 3, Cumberland 0; Beograd 2, Polonia 0

ASSOCIATION, First Division — Birkalla 2, Port Adelaide 1; Enfield 2, Sturt 0; Salisbury 2, Elizabeth 1; Victoria 3, Edinburgh 2.

Second Division—Sth. Adelaide 3, Mitcham 1; Malta United 5, Windsor Ath. 1; Austria . Weapons Research 1; Kingswood 2, Birkalla 0.

LEAGUE

	W.	L.	For	Ag.	Pts.
Juventus ..	6	1	22	5	12
Croatia	6	1	20	6	12
Budapest ..	5	2	18	8	10
Lion	3	4	13	13	6
Orange	3	4	8	16	6
Beograd ..	2	5	11	18	4
Cumberland	2	5	9	20	4
Polonia	1	6	6	21	2

FIRST DIVISION

	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P's
Victoria	7	—	—	27	12	14
Birkalla	5	1	1	23	12	11
Enfield	5	1	1	17	9	11
Salisbury	3	3	1	17	16	7
Port	2	4	1	16	18	5
Edinburgh	1	4	3	15	25	4
Sturt	1	6	—	14	24	2
Elizabeth	1	6	—	16	29	2

NEW SOUTH WALES

	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	P
Prague	6	-	1	19	9	12
Budapest	5	1	1	23	13	11
Hakoah	4	2	1	21	12	10
Polonia	4	1	2	20	15	10
Auburn	3	2	2	16	9	8
Apia	3	1	3	19	16	7
B-town	3	1	3	13	12	7
Canterb.	3	1	3	11	12	7
Pan-Hel.	3	1	3	12	13	7
Gladesville	2	1	4	15	17	5
S. Coast	-	-	7	10	28	-
Syd. Aust.	-	-	7	7	29	-

NEW SOUTH WALES RESULTS

Federation: Apia 3, Pan Hellnic 0; Hakoah 1, Polonia NS 1; Prague 3, Sth. Coast 2; Budapest 4, Gladesville Ryde 2; Auburn 2, Canterbury 1.

QUEENSLAND RESULTS

First Division— Annerley 0, Hellenic 6; Blackstone 2, Easts 4; St. Helens 6, YMCA 3; Thistle 1, Oxley 2; Azzurri 1, Bundamba 2.

Second Division — Dinmore 4, Wynnum 4; Dnipro 2, Bulimba 1; Merton 3, Latrobe 2, Postal 0, Mitchelton 2; Taringa 0, Sandgate 0.

QUEENSLAND

	W	L	F	A	P
Hellenic	8	-	37	6	17
Azzuri	7	1	35	18	14
St. Helens	6	3	28	18	12
Easts	5	4	24	23	10
Oxley	3	4	22	16	7
Blackstone	2	5	17	29	6
G. Thistle	2	5	13	22	5
Bundamba	2	5	22	34	5
Annerley	2	6	16	36	5
Y.M.C.A.	2	6	14	41	5

WEST AUSTRALIA

Association — First division: Julia 4, Caledonian 2; Kiev-Victoria Park 1, Vastese 0; Subiaco City 1, Medina 1; Sport United 2, Perth City-Inglewood 2; Swan Valley 5, Spearwood 2.

Second division: Great Alexander 3, Malta United 0; Cottesloe 3, Midland-Juventus 1; Melita 4, Maccabean 1; Queens Park 5, Malayan Tigers 2; Macedonia 3, Emu Rangers 2.

Federation — First division: Olympic 3, Fremantle City 0; Azzurri 2, Windmills 0; South Perth 3, North Perth-Osborne 1; Swan Athletic 5, Cracovia 1.

SAM'S Selections

HERE are my selections for U.K. Pools coupons for June 10.

NEW SOUTH WALES
Federation 1st Division

1 Canterbury v. Apia
2 Gladesville v. Hakoah
x P. Hellenic v. Auburn
1 Polonia v. Bankstown
1 Sydney A. v. S. Coast
1 Prague v. Budapest

Federation 2nd Division

2 Balgownie v. Manly
1 Blacktown v. Crotia
1 Granville v. Dalmantinac
x Lidcombe v. Sutherland
1 St. George v. Corinthian
1 Toongabbie v. Concordia

QUEENSLAND
1st Division

1 Hellenic v. Oxley
1 Bundamba v. S. Thistle
2 Y.M.C.A. v. Annerley
1 Easts v. Azzurri
x Blackstone v. St. Helens

2nd Division

2 Bulimba v. Dinmore
1 Taringa v. Dnipro
x Sandgate v. Latrobe
1 Wynnum v. Mitchelton
1 Merton v. P. Institute

SOUTH AUSTRALIA
State League

x Crotia v. Polonia
1 Lion v. Budapest
1 Orange v. Juventus
2 Cumberland v. Beograd

1st Division

1 Elizabeth v. Birkalla
1 Edinburgh v. P. Adelaide
1 Stuart v. Salisbury
x Enfield v. Victoria

SAM'S SIX

● **Here are my six specials for June 10:**

2 Slavia v. Juventus
1 Lion v. Budapest
1 Stuart v. Salisbury
1 Hellenic v. Oxley
1 Canterbury v. Apia

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY

IN MELBOURNE:

Sunday, June 11, at Olympic Park: Slavia v. Juventus. State League and Reserves, postponed matches.

Monday, June 12, at Olympic Park Junior matches:— Under 12, Under 14, Under 16.

Olympic Park games

Saturday, June 3—George Cross v. Hakoah.

Sunday, June 4—Wilhelmina v. Polonia.

State League matches — Kick off 2.45 p.m.

State League Reserves play curtain raisers — Kick off 1 p.m.

(Subject to weather conditions).

Saturday June 10 to be arranged.

Sunday June 11—Slavia v Juventus.

Monday June 12—three junior matches— under 12, 14 and 16.

Saturday June 17—Wilhelmna v Hakoah.

Sunday June 18—Craven "A" International Trophy. 1.30 p.m. Jugoslavia v Ireland. 3 p.m. Malta v Greece.

Saturday June 24—J.U.S.T. v George Cross.

Sunday June 25 — Box Hill v Sth. Melb. Hellas.

Saturday July 1 — No match (Victorian Rugby Union).

State League Matches—kick off 2.45 p.m.

State League Reserves play curtain raisers—kick off 1 p.m. sharp (subject to weather conditions)

On his way to New Britain

Tralalgon Tigers' secretary, Scott Nimmo, left for Rabaul, New Britain, this week.

He has taken a post with the Territories Department

Scott arrived in Traralgon from Wallyford, near Edinburgh, Scotland, in November, 1956. And it wasn't long before he associated himself with the local

International games

Overseas results: — Austria 3, England 1; Hungary 3, Wales 2; Fiorentina 2, Rangers 1; Roma 6, Hiber-

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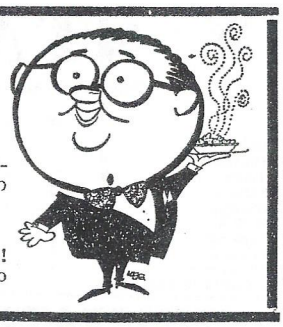

SOCCER NEWS

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HERE'S OUR TEAM

K,arpouzas (Hellas) Gross (Melb.), Hobson (G. Cross), Guardiani (Polonia), Faizon A (G. Cross), Mandarakis (Hellas), Griggs (Juventus), Maruskiewicz (Polonia), Micic (JUST), T. Vella (G. Cross), Margaritis (Hellas), Iremiadis (Hell.), Gross (Polonia), De Bruyckere (Wilhelm.), Beerendonk (Wilhelmina), Hodgson (G. Cross), Beattie (JUST), Oxton (Mor.), Salibisides (Hellas), Jurecki (Polonia), Dudon (Polonia), Acunzo (Juventus), Marinovic (JUST), Van Alphen (Wilhelmina), Szygalski (Polonia).

Managers: Dr. C. Walker, Mr. F. Lang.

Coaches: M. De Bruyckere (Wilhelmina), F. Welmer (Richmond)

Selectors: Messrs Defris, Walker and Oliphant.

SAME "BIG FOUR" LEAD THE WAY

Duncan McDougall (pictured left), our hard-hitting soccer reporter, today sums up State League championship and demotion prospects for 1961. Richmond and Moreland are his two early tips for relegation.

Now read what he has to say about other club hopes.

Next week's round of fixtures mark the half-way stage in the 1961 State League games.

Even at this early stage, the old familiar pattern of last year is once again gradually taking shape. The 4 clubs leading the League today were in the 1st 5 teams when the curtain came down on the final round of 1960.

The pattern may be familiar but in comparison to the League positions this time last year, the fact emerges that the competition is in a much more interesting and healthier state, with the battle for the championship wide open.

Again last year with 6 rounds of the 1960 season still to play—Polonia and G. Cross had an unbreakable stronghold on the lead. It was merely a case of—who would be 3rd? And 10 points behind at that!

So far this season, the only challengers to the "old firm" of Wilhelmina, G. Cross, Polonia and J.U.S.T. appear to be the Middle Park duo of S. M.-Hellas and Hakoah.

At the other end of the table, teams with less than eleven (11) points at this stage can forget any championship aspirations they may have entertained. The widening of the gap between teams occupying the middle brackets of the league increases weekly.

A situation that will make the struggle to escape the dreaded relegation bogey all the more desperate and interesting.

Moreland, Slavia and the newly promoted Richmond appear to the likely candidates for the wooden spoon.

Box Hill too, have no premium on remaining with the upper crust. Unless of course Dame Fortune casts another of her most benign smiles on them—as she did towards the end of last season.

Further up the ladder, Melbourne, with their neat Hungarian - style soccer very pleasing to the eye, seem set as a "middle class" club this year. Along with the pretty movements, a little helping of the Devil in their tactics would take them a rung farther up the ladder.

Juventus, having one of their worst seasons ever, seem destined once again to be a mediocre, neither here nor there team. In spite of their poor performances an astonishing fact is that some critics on numerous occasions have put great confidence — mostly misplaced —in the ability of Juventus to register victories.

After each defeat, all the old cliche excuses are trotted out monstrously—"adverse referees decisions"—"forwards lost cohesion" etc. Their defence getting plaudits every week.

The truth is that any team continually calling on the inside forwards to form an 8 man defence must surely make it difficult for the opposition to score goals!

But it's an overburdened policy, with no accumulated bonus when it comes to scoring goal. A forward line scoring at the low average of 1¼ goals per game can hardly be described as cohesive!!

A good reserve team is essential for a club intending to remain with the leaders. S. M.-Hellas reserves with only 2 points to their credit will be no great help to the parent team when the going gets tougher and the Cup-Ties commence.

Star inside forward Salabassidis has struck a bad path, which is not surprising, as I'm sure he must be tired of supplying the ammunition to a not too responsive forward line.

Opposing teams realise Salabassidis is the scheme-in-chief for Hellas and when held in check the remaining forwards seem incapable of forging their own weapons. It is little wonder then that Salabassidis is tired of battling the odds each week to provide chances which never seem to come his way in return?

The return of power-drawing Papadoopolous will relieve Salabassidis of some weight, and now safely settled in the top league, this year at least, S. M.-Hellas should retain their present position and could at the season's end be in at the death for the championship.

The more fluid defensive systems of G. Cross and Polonia revolving as they do, around a reliable "stay put" centre-half, has kept their goals against down to a minimum. Less than one goal per game to date.

The same cannot be said about Wilhelmina's defence. Here perhaps the finger could be pointed at the only hole in the Dyke through which teams having strong scoring forwards, Hakoah, JUST and Polonia, could sneak through and take the championship.

If the second half of the fixtures are as interesting as the first half, we can all look back and say it's been a good year in Victorian soccer.

My tips for relegation Richmond and Moreland, and for the championship Polonia, G. Cross or Hakoah.

"The GREAT CHAMP"

LEXINGTON

CONGRATS PRESTON!

By GEOFF DOBB

Congratulations to Preston (First Division South) for having the only 100 per cent record in Melbourne Soccer.

Preston have shown good constructive soccer so far and, in showing the best 1st Division form since Melbourne's rise. They are short-price favourites for the flag.

GEELONG have many of last year's star players now available, according to reports, and a really strong "all-nations" team is being built. This cosmopolitan club is the one to watch for upsets.

AUSTRIA may head for their 3rd defeat morning at GULLY where the steadier temperament of goalie E. [illegible] supporters.

PRESTON versus BRIGHTON will be a better game than most State League matches and good soccer is assured at Collier Street. The Croatians won only 2-1 at Brighton but their teamwork has improved greatly since. Brighton has an excellent close-marking defence led by Langdon but their forwards are playing Rugby at present.

GEELONG are much superior to their lowly position while the reorganised FRANKSTON have gained 3 invaluable points in their last 2 games. While I re-

PASSING SHOTS

with John d'Andrea

***YES, Hakoah have done it again: the seniors and the Reserves defeated Slavia 5-0 and the Under 18 defeated Sunshine Heights 5-0!**

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***STUART BEATON is in his 13th year of association with Victorian soccer. Not a bad record for our Secretary-Manager who has been married 14 years this year.**

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***TALKING about Stuart, after his TV appearance of ABV2 it would pay him to buy his own TV make-up kit with all the Television commitments he has to keep up with.**

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***HOW soccer social season is now in full swing: after the opening rounds of JUST, George Cross and Sunshine City it is now the turn of Springvale, Olympia and Box Hill**

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***DUTCH secretary R. Rubens has organised a function for Springvale Soccer club's juniors and their parents at Roma Restaurant, in Springvale, for Friday, June 2, at 8 p.m. The successful function, which includes beauty contests for men and women, will be followed by a general meeting of the club next Friday night to elect a new committee and to plan for a new ground provided by the Springvale City Council. Also the formation of a social club to help raise funds for dressing rooms will be formed.**

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***NORLANE Olympia S.C. will have their social dance on Saturday, June 10, at the RSL Hall, Rose Ave., Norlane, when the 'Vagabonds' will play. Proceeds for players' insurance fund.**

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***A SMOKERS' NIGHT will be held by Box Hill S.C. at the Doncaster Hotel on Wed., June 14, at 8 p.m. Instead of firemen, two referees will be in attendance. No doubt Craven "A" filters will be smoked!**

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***ANY enquiries for a black and white cat and Australian fox terrier last seen wandering around Olympic Park, should be made at the VASFA office. By the way, the cat is not registered with Juventus!**

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***ALONG the fashion of Peter Bye-the Way-column in The Globe, there is a strong chance of Alex Barr starting an "Off the**